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FRIEL-104(PATENT)

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In re Provisional Application of:
Tom Long, et al.

Conf. No.: 8519

Application No.: 10/774,329

Group Art Unit: 3742

Filed: February 5, 2004

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

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PETITION TO BE ACCORDED FILING DATE

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Dear Sir:

This petition is being filed in response to the "Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a NonProvisional Application" for the above identified case. The notice indicated that Figures 15 and 16 were omitted with the papers which were filed on February 5, 2004. Attached hereto is a copy of the notice along with those figures.

Applicants, however, submit that the application as originally filed on February 5, 2004, included all of the sheets of drawings, including the sheet of drawings containing Figures 15 and 16. Attached hereto is a copy of a return postcard submitted with the filing of the application. The postcard contains the PTO stamp date of February 5, 2004. In addition, the postcard has various handwritten information applied on behalf of applicants identifying the application and its contents. One of the items of contents which is checked is for drawings and specifically the drawings are identified as being six sheets. This corresponds to the total number of sheets of drawings wherein Figures 15 and 16 are on the sixth sheet.

Although it is not known why the sheet of drawings containing Figures 15 and 16 were not in the PTO copy of the application submitted on February 5, 2004, those drawings were


included with the set of drawings submitted with the application on February 5, 2004, as confirmed by the attached copy of the postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 03-2775 for the \$130.00 petition fee and any other fee necessary for this petition. If it is determined that the drawings which were thought to be omitted had been received by the U.S.P.T.O., it is requested that the petition fee be refunded.

In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that this application be accorded the filing date of February 5, 2004.

Dated: May 21, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

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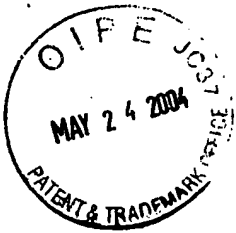
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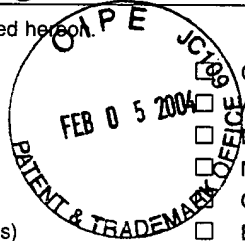
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NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEM(S) IN A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

A filing date has been accorded to the above-identified nonprovisional application papers; however, the following item(s) appear to have been omitted from the application:

- Figure(s) **15 & 16** described in the specification.

I. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) with evidence of such deposit **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice. The petition fee will be refunded if it is determined that the item(s) was received by the USPTO.

II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed in the USPTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) requesting the later filing date **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice.

Applicant is advised that generally the filing fee required for an application is the filing fee in effect on the filing date accorded the application and that payment of the requisite basic filing fee on a date later than the filing date of the application requires payment of a surcharge (37 CFR 1.16(e)). To avoid processing delays and payment of a surcharge, applicant should submit any balance due for the requisite filing fee based on the later filing date being requested when submitting the omitted item(s) and the petition (and petition fee) requesting the later filing date.

III. The failure to file a petition (and petition fee) under the above options (I) or (II) within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice (37 CFR 1.181(f)) will be treated as a constructive acceptance by the applicant of the application as deposited in the USPTO. **THIS TWO MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b)**. In the absence of a timely filed petition in reply to this Notice, the application will maintain a filing date as of the date of deposit of the application papers in the USPTO, and original application papers (*i.e.*, the original disclosure of the invention) will include only those application papers present in the USPTO on the date of deposit.

In the event that applicant elects not to take action pursuant to options (I) or (II) above (thereby constructively electing option (III)), amendment of the specification to renumber the pages consecutively and cancel incomplete sentences caused by any omitted page(s), and/or amendment of the specification to cancel all references to any omitted drawing(s), relabel the drawing figures to be numbered consecutively (if necessary), and correct the references in the specification to the drawing figures to correspond with any relabeled drawing figures, is required.

A copy of the drawing figures showing the proposed changes in red ink should accompany with any drawing changes. Such amendment and/or correction to the drawing figures, if necessary, should be by way of preliminary amendment submitted prior to the first Office action to avoid delays in the prosecution of the application.

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Fig. 15.

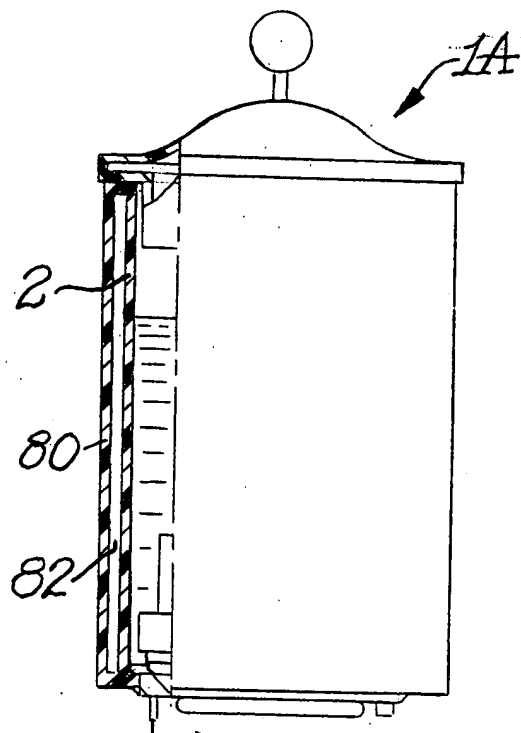


Fig. 16.

